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'Refreshing': That's what these twins are

Co-valedictorians.

Soon-to-be Mount
Saint Vincent grads say
giving back is what it's
all about

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Jessica and Rebecca Skinner
have a lot to be thankful for
— besides being twins.

On Sunday, they will
speak to a class of their fellow
students as co-valedictorians
at Mount Saint Vincent Uni-
versity, after graduating with
their bachelors in business
management with respect-
ive 4.03 and 4.05 grade point
averages.

At 23, both already have
jobs. Jessica works as a junior
staff accountant for BDO Can-
ada, while Rebecca is a strat-
egist for Nova Scotia Business
Inc. development agency.

If that wasn't enough,
these women who seem to
be on the fast track towards
business success believe one
of the most important lessons
in life is to give back to the
community.

"It's just so much a part

of who we are that I never
thought of not doing it,"
Rebecca said Wednesday
afternoon, dressed in a sharp
black blazer, sitting next to
her sister.

Throughout their univer-
sity careers, both women
have been regular volunteers
for countless on-campus pro-
jects and different organiza-
tions around Halifax.

From spending their Satur-
day mornings counting cans

which is so refreshing," Jes-
sica said, nodding to her sis-
ter.

"Yeah, that's a good word
for it," added Rebecca. "Re-
freshing."

Originally from St. John's,
N.L., the girls' volunteer
work began shelving books
and organizing games and
puppet shows for the kids
at a neighbourhood library
while the family was living
in Texas.

Quoted

"You always hear growing up that university is the
best years of your life and so many fun things hap-
pen. I don't think I could have imagined doing that
without my best friend." **Rebecca Skinner**

at Feed Nova Scotia, to travel-
ling to Florida to build homes
for Habitat for Humanity dur-
ing mid-terms, they described
the hours poured into help-
ing others has given them a
lifetime of experience and is
what kept them sane under
the pressures of academic
stress.

"It was just a chance to
pause and stop thinking
about the busy lives that we
lead and just focus on others,

"One time Rebecca even
dressed up as Clifford the Big
Red Dog," Jessica says, laugh-
ing.

Helping others and giving
back to the community was
just a way of life instilled in
them by their family, both
women said.

That's why when it came
time to go to university, they
knew that no matter what,
they would stick together and
find a way to pay it forward.



Jessica Skinner, left, and twin sister Rebecca pose for a photo at Mount Saint Vincent University on
Wednesday. **JEFF HARPER/METRO**



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James Cuthbert

Police continue to search for missing man

Police in Halifax are continuing to ask for the public's help in finding a missing senior from Head of Jeddore.

James Cuthbert, 71, left his home in the Highway 7 area on Sunday morning, according to police. He was seen at the Esso service station on Cole Harbour Road just after noon, then at the Canadian Tire in Dartmouth Crossing around 12:30 p.m.

Officers with the integrated criminal investigation division also say Cuthbert was in the parking lot of Home Depot in his car between 1 and 1:30 p.m. Sunday.

Police say Cuthbert is white, six feet tall, 170 pounds, slightly balding with brown hair and a grey beard, hazel eyes, rimless glasses and a "neat appearance."

He was wearing a brown leather bomber-style jacket and brown loafers at the time of his disappearance.

Cuthbert was also driving a white 2012 four-door Toyota Prius with the Nova Scotia licence plate DTV 905.

There is no information to suggest Cuthbert has met with foul play, but police say they are concerned for his well-being.

Anyone with information on his whereabouts is asked to call police at 902-490-5016 or send an anonymous tip through Crime Stoppers. **METRO**



James Cuthbert
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Arcade Fire performs at Alderney Landing in 2011. Coun. Darren Fisher said selling the naming rights of venues like Alderney Landing should be explored. **METRO FILE**

What's in a name? Big bucks for HRM

Canada Games Centre. Some councillors want more aggressive action to sell naming rights

Quoted

"After the Metro Centre, the sky's the limit."

Coun. Russell Walker



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One Halifax regional councillor says the "sky's the limit" when it comes to the potential revenues from naming rights for the Canada Games Centre.

"With a membership of around 9,000, it's high visibility, it's used by almost every sporting event going on these days," said Coun. Rus-

sell Walker on Wednesday. "The facility is fantastic, in my opinion, and it has great potential for naming rights."

A city staff report tabled at regional council's weekly meeting on Tuesday revealed the Canada Games Centre (CGC) is facing a \$2-million debt to the federal government, and the sale of the facility's naming rights would help offset that debt.

Given the success of the sale of the former Metro Centre's name to Scotiabank for

\$6.9 million over 10 years, Walker said the CGC board of directors is comfortable with the idea.

He said the CGC — built as a regional "centre of excellence" — may not bring in as much as the Scotiabank Centre, but considerably more than the BMO Centre or Emera Oval at \$100,000 and \$500,000 apiece.

"There's still the potential of naming facilities inside the Centre, like the aquatic centre, the fitness centre, the

fieldhouse," said Walker.

Walker said a call for proposals on the CGC naming rights should be coming "very soon."

But Coun. Darren Fisher said he felt city staff should be more aggressive in finding buyers for the CGC and other HRM facilities, like the Dartmouth Sportsplex.

"Reach out to the entire business community and say, OK, our buildings' naming rights are available," he said.

Fisher said the public seems to have accepted the sale of naming rights as a viable alternative to spending taxpayer dollars, and said it might be worth exploring the idea for non-sports venues, like Alderney Landing.

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Saint Mary's offers students a new way to aim for the stars

The universe in HD.

University unveils new telescope that promises a 'crisper, brighter and more detailed' view of distant objects

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Students at Saint Mary's University are going to be seeing stars thanks to a new telescope in the school's Burke-Gaffney Observatory.

During a press conference Wednesday, school officials and faculty from the department of astronomy unveiled a new state-of-the-art telescope, named in honour of Dr. Ralph M. Medjuck, who donated the funds for the new technology.

The new Planewave 0.6-metre CDK24 telescope is the largest in Eastern Canada and is second-largest on a Canadian university campus. It replaced the observatory's older telescope, which was more than 40 years old.

Dr. Dave Lane, the director of the observatory, said the new telescope comes with a large mirror that collects more light and allows viewers to see objects from

Did you know?

The Burke-Gaffney Observatory at Saint Mary's University was home to Canada's discovery of a supernova in 1995 by Dr. Dave Lane and a colleague.

greater distances in a much brighter resolution.

"Everything you see is crisper, brighter and more detailed," said astronomy master's student Jenn Bealands, who works as a telescope operator. "It's sort of like the difference between older television sets and the advent of high-definition."

Saint Mary's astronomy professor and Canada Research Chair Dr. Rob Thacker said the telescope will serve as a teaching tool for students of astronomy and will also be used as an outreach tool to get more school-aged children and community members excited to learn about the universe.

"Things that are amazingly distant can have an influence on your view of the world and your view of yourself," Thacker said.

Although the university's announcement was made Wednesday, Lane said the new telescope was installed



Dr. Rob Thacker shows off the new telescope at Saint Mary's University on Wednesday. STEPHANIE TAYLOR/FOR METRO

Quoted

"To be blunt, even the bright things are just that much better." Dr. Dave Lane, director of the Burke-Gaffney Observatory

last December, and has been undergoing software tests and robotics updates since the new year.

School officials wouldn't say the total amount of the donation. However, Thacker

explained that when all was said and done, the cost of the new telescope with all its gadgets, plus the renovations to the observatory, totals nearly \$500,000.

Lane said what's next is

to continue developing the telescope's social media interface. It currently has the ability to snap real-time images from space and share them on Twitter, but he hopes it will become

fully interactive by next spring.

"Say a student needs to observe a galaxy for their project — they just simply send a tweet to the telescope," Lane explained.

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High-schoolers to be pre-registered to vote

Elections Nova Scotia.

New program takes away barriers for young voters, says spokesman



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A spokesman for Elections Nova Scotia says the average 18-year-old doesn't register as a voter before starting a career or taking off for university, so a new program aimed at pre-registering 16- and 17-year-olds takes "that burden away from them."

On Wednesday, Chief Electoral Officer Richard Tempore tabled the Elections Nova Scotia annual report in the House of Assembly, which highlights the pre-registering program as an easy way to get

teens on the voters' list before they graduate.

"After high school, we don't know where you are," said Elections Nova Scotia spokesman Dana Doiron, in reference to those students.

Doiron said the new program, set to launch next spring, partners with school boards across Nova Scotia to access names and addresses of all 16- and 17-year-olds so they will get a letter on their 18th birthday informing them they will be automatically placed on the Register of Electors unless they say differently.

That way, Doiron said they get a yellow card when a provincial election rolls around, informing them where and when to vote.

"About 60 per cent of those (people) will actually do it, but if you don't get the card, then you're less likely to actually go out and vote," he said.

There are 86,653 Nova Scotians in the 18 to 24 years old category, according to the report, but only 49,770 (57 per cent) are currently registered to vote.

"Only 20 per cent of the people of that age group voted last time," Doiron said. "Without us getting that information about who they



Former premier Darrell Dexter speaks to students at Citadel High School during last year's provincial election.

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are ... we'll continue to see the number of people participating going down."

When the voting age was 21, Doiron said Nova Scotians

were more aware of voting, but 18-year-olds are worried about getting through Grade 12 or landing a job.

"We'll take that burden

away from them," Doiron said. "We'll give them an opportunity to be informed without having to do a whole heck of a lot themselves."

In the classrooms

Teens glad to see new program

Elections Nova Scotia plans to pre-register high school students to vote next spring, but a few Citadel High School teens were surprised to learn the practice wasn't already in place.

On Wednesday, the annual report from Elections N.S. said they are planning to place all 16- and 17-year-olds on a pre-registration list that they could use to send out voter information when someone turned 18.

"I already thought we had it on automatically," Jadin Taylly, 16, said outside the Halifax school on Wednesday.

Taylly said it would "be a great thing" to have the list, but also not make a big difference if teens could already register themselves when they turn 18.

Dalton Parker, 15, said it was a good idea because some teenagers might not want to go out of their way to register their voting address.

Parker said it doesn't seem like many students are thinking about politics when they graduate but it's important because "I want my voice to be heard."

"When you don't vote and something goes wrong, you can't complain about it," Parker said.

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Oar you kidding me? Break-and-enter suspect tries to get away — in a canoe

Here's one for you: A 20-year-old man was taken into police custody Wednesday afternoon after he tried to flee from officers — in a canoe.

Halifax Regional Police say they were first called to a break-and-enter at a home on Cedar Bank Terrance at 2:40 p.m. on Wednesday.

When police officers arrived at the scene, the suspect was seen trying to get away in a red canoe on the Northwest Arm, says police

spokeswoman Theresa Rath says.

"This is highly unusual," she said of the strange set of circumstances.

"It's not every day you see a suspect trying to make a getaway in a canoe."

Rath said police kept close watch on the canoeist from both sides of the harbour. Their goal was to try to persuade the suspect to come to shore voluntarily.

Meanwhile, a nearby resident put his own boat

Did not get away

Halifax Regional Police spokeswoman Theresa Rath said the man was arrested and the canoe seized, along with items allegedly taken from the home broken into.

at the police's disposal for them to go out in the water to bring the man back to shore, said Rath.

But borrowing the boat wasn't needed after all. The suspect finally came into shore with the red canoe near Sir Fleming Park just after 3:30 p.m.

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Just plain weird

"This is highly unusual. It's not every day you see a suspect trying to make a getaway in a canoe."

Police spokeswoman Theresa Rath

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Best turn for turning lane? Turn into pedestrian space: Dal students

'Hard data.' Students hope to present their final report to HRM next spring



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A group of Dalhousie University planning students are hoping some "hard data" on a little-used turning lane in downtown Halifax will get the city behind creating a pedestrian space in the area.

On Wednesday, master's students Sarah Ravlic and Reid Shepherd set up colourful chairs and tables with their classmates on the corner of Morris and Queen streets to ask people what they would like to see if a small pedestrian space were created there.



Emily Williamson, left, and Reid Shepherd, both planning students from Dalhousie University, hang out near the corner of Morris and Queen streets on Wednesday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

"The real life of a city is the people out in the spaces between our buildings and our cars," Ravlic said.

"There's a bit of lack of space like this," Shepherd added, looking around at the apartment buildings, shops

like Atlantic News and Sweet Jane's and the new Halifax Central Library.

The space would extend

At a glance

- Residents hope the space highlights the nearby historic area of Schmitzville, where many homes date from the early 19th century.

from the edge of a parking lot over the existing right-turning lane for cars travelling up Morris Street from the harbour and onto Queen, making the intersection a "standard four-way stop," Ravlic said.

Ravlic said the project began with the Planning and Design Centre (PDC) this summer, and the Dalhousie students are now taking the lead on interviewing neighbours and researching traffic and pedestrian numbers.

At some times of day, she said more than 300 people walk through the intersection

in a half-hour period — much higher than the number of vehicles driving through in the same time.

"That's how we're going to try to make a case, using hard data," Shepherd said.

Colleen Doherty lives near the intersection, but said if she was looking to sit and relax, it likely "wouldn't be in this urban of an area."

"If it's kind of a hideaway where you don't feel like you're sitting in the middle of the city, then that might make it more desirable," Doherty said.

The students hope to present their final report to HRM and the PDC next spring.

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Nurse practitioners will be able to prescribe drugs

Nurse practitioners in Nova Scotia will be allowed to prescribe monitored drugs to patients as of Saturday.

The provincial government says nurse practitioners who wish to do so can register with the Nova Scotia Prescription Monitoring Program.

The program tracks the prescribing of monitored drugs, which includes controlled substances.

The government says allowing nurse practitioners to prescribe the drugs brings them in line with their counterparts in other jurisdictions, including New Brunswick and Newfoundland and Labrador.

The College of Regis-



Medication is shown at a pharmacy in this file photo. THE CANADIAN PRESS

tered Nurses of Nova Scotia says nurse practitioners are registered nurses with ad-

vanced education and specialized skills.

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Share your thoughts

Public consultation set for new off-leash dog park

Any residents — dog-owning or otherwise — with thoughts about the proposal to set up a new off-leash dog park in the

Mainland Common can share their ideas at a public meeting Thursday night.

The new park will be located on the grassy, partly fenced field next to the all-weather field and expanded to the adjacent forested stand in the spring of 2015.

Council asked that the new park, which will replace the

Africville off-leash area, be ready by the end of 2014.

Thursday's meeting at the Halifax Forum Maritime Hall is intended to gather feedback on the site suitability and any other improvements that it may need.

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Justice Minister Lena Metlege Diab talks to reporters earlier this year. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Province looks to drop time limits on domestic, sexual abuse lawsuits

Limitations of Actions Act. Legislation aims to remove current one-year deadline faced by victims

People in Nova Scotia who want to file lawsuits over sexual and domestic assault would no longer have to do so within prescribed time limits under legislation introduced Wednesday.

Justice Minister Lena Metlege Diab said the Limitations of Actions Act would remove the one-year deadline faced by victims of sexual and domestic abuse who want to sue.

Metlege Diab said the act would better protect abuse victims while also respecting the rights of all parties involved in legal actions.

Jackie Stevens, execu-

tive director of the Avalon Sexual Assault Centre, said the legislation would help victims who often hesitate to come forward and often don't meet the one-year deadline to launch a lawsuit.

"This demonstrates a recognition of the tremendous impact historical and systemic violence can have on a person to act in a timely way," said Stevens.

She said she has heard of cases where people considered lawsuits but were prohibited by the statute of limitations.

But Stevens added that there are other factors that could stop people from seeking legal recourse, including costs and the length of time lawsuits generally take to go through the courts.

No such lawsuits were brought forward in the last

year, the Justice Department said.

The act would also set a two-year limitation period for civil claims involving such cases as personal injury or breach of contract.

There would also be a 15-year limit for legal claims that aren't discovered immediately such as undetected medical complications that arise from surgery, or an injury that is the result of a previous car crash.

Dan Ingersoll, a lawyer for Engineers Nova Scotia, welcomed the new limits, saying the old law was unfair in that it could see his clients sued decades after the fact.

"People don't want to have to carry their file around with them in their garage or in a storage facility for decades," said Ingersoll. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Employee injured at MV Miner removal site

Scatarie Island.

The province launches an investigation into the accident

The Nova Scotia Department of Labour is investigating an accident at the MV Miner removal site on Scatarie Island that resulted in a worker be-

ing airlifted by the military Tuesday.

"A worker fell and slipped on some rocks," said Chrissy Matheson, spokeswoman for the Department of Labour.

"The worker had to be evacuated off the site. The worker did sustain some minor injuries that required some hospitalization."

Matheson said she didn't have an update on the work-

er's condition.

"I was under the impression the injuries were minor and non-life-threatening."

Matheson said a company has to have an evacuation plan in place and RJ MacIsaac Construction — the company handling the demolition of the wreck — did submit a plan to the Department of Labour. However, she said due to the weather Tuesday.

the helicopter on standby was unable to get there.

"The backup to the backup plan is to have the military come in and evacuate the person."

She said she can't release the gender or age of the worker.

An investigation is continuing. Matheson said there was not a stop-work order at the site. **CAPE BRETON POST**

Worker

An official with RJ MacIsaac — a firm from Antigonish that landed the \$12-million MV Miner contract — said the injured employee is doing well. She believes the worker is originally from Cape Breton.



The view from the top deck of the MV Miner on Scaterie Island.

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Sykes Inc. Call centre closing its doors, 130 people out of work

The closure of the Sykes Inc. call centre has been announced to employees.

It will affect about 130 workers, with the last day of work on Jan. 30.

Sykes says it offers customer care and technical support to its clients. Its only client at the Sydney site is Bell Canada. Employees handle billing inquiries and direct marketing and upselling to Bell's customers.

An employee, who spoke on condition of anonymity because he had signed a confidentiality agreement with Sykes, said some people with as much as 10 to 14 years of

experience at the call centre were too upset to work.

They went home shortly after the announcement was made at 2 p.m. Tuesday.

"There was a young guy I was talking to. He's 22 and has been working there since he was 18. That's his job, right. It's all he knows," the employee said.

The announcement didn't come as a total surprise to some, he said.

The lease on part of the building Sykes occupies from Schwartz Furniture was to expire at the end of the year, he said.

CAPE BRETON POST**The Sykes Inc. call centre** CAPE BRETON POST

Liverpool. Firefighters called to beach resort over light fixture

Firefighters in Liverpool responded to a call at White Point Beach Resort due to a smoking light fixture on Wednesday.

The call came in about 10:45 a.m. for an electrical fire in the new main lodge.

According to Donna Hatt, communications and market-

ing co-ordinator at the resort, the fixture was looked at and quickly replaced.

The fire department was called in as a precaution, but Hatt says staff are very vigilant for good reason. In November 2011, the main lodge was destroyed by fire. It was rebuilt in 2012. **LIVERPOOL ADVANCE**

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Tony Porter, an American educator and activist, was guest speaker at a "breakfast with the guys" Wednesday morning hosted by Men Against Domestic Violence at Centre 200 in Sydney. CAPE BRETON POST

'It's really time for us to stand up'

Cape Breton. 'Good men' need to speak up, get noticed, says American educator

The way that men are socialized creates a culture of violence against women, and that must change, Tony Porter says.

Porter, an American educator and activist, was guest speaker at a "breakfast with the guys" event Wednesday hosted by Men Against Domestic Violence at Centre 200 in Sydney, which attracted about 150 people.

It is the collective socialization of men — including the objectification of women, viewing women as being less valuable

A call to men

Tony Porter works with groups like the National Football League, the National Basketball Association, the U.S. Military Academy and Naval Academy. Porter is the co-founder of A Call to Men: The National Association of Men and Women Committed to Ending Violence Against Women.

than men, and treating women as property — that leads to violence against women, he said.

Strolling around the tables assembled at the Centre 200 concourse, Porter engaged men and women at the breakfast, asking them questions about

perceptions of what it is to be a man versus a woman.

If women alone were able to end domestic violence, they would have done so by now, Porter said. And society cannot count on the men who are perpetrators of violence to do it. Instead, the "good men" have to take on their own role, he said. "It's really time for us to stand up, find our voice, speak out, to know that if you're not part of the solution, in many respects you're part of the problem," Porter said.

"If we're not talking to our sons, guess what? These guys over here, they're banking on that ... because talking to our sons is also taking an interest in the experience of women, not talking to them is maintaining the status quo." CAPE BRETON POST

Lyons Brook

Bath salts seizure leads to fine

A 24-year-old Lyons Brook man has been fined more than \$4,000 for possessing six pounds of bath salts.

Jordan Ty Fergus Stewart was sentenced in Pictou Supreme Court Oct. 15, after pleading guilty to a charge of simple possession in relation to an incident Jan. 23, 2013, in Lyons Brook.

It's considered the largest seizure of bath salts in the country with a street value estimated at \$375,000.

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Daylight savings time. Don't forget to 'fall back' this weekend, Halifax

Daylight saving time will come to an end this weekend.

The semi-annual time adjustment happens at 2 a.m. Sunday, when the clocks will turn back by an hour.

A release from the province urges Nova Scotians to set their clocks back on Saturday evening before they go to bed.

Microwave ovens, car clocks, automatic timers and other household devices will also need to be reset.

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The release suggests it's also a good time to exercise some fire safety by cleaning dryer vents and changing batteries in smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. METRO

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A blow (in the face) against racism

'Social experiment.'

Bystander at bus stop in Hamilton slugs actor spewing anti-Muslim taunts

Its creators call it a "social experiment" spurred by the gunman's shooting rampage at Parliament Hill in Ottawa last week.

But their three-minute video posted to YouTube Monday shines a spotlight on Hamilton and a handful of people who stand up against anti-Muslim taunts hurled at a bus stop outside Jackson Square.

A young man who identifies himself as Devin Giamou spews the racist remarks.

His anti-Muslim vitriol is put on, just acting for the experiment, but Giamou gets more than a stiff rebuke.

He tells a small clutch of people outside Jackson Square another young man

with a beard and in white traditional Muslim dress (who's also an actor for the experiment) shouldn't get on the bus because "he could be armed with explosives."

Giamou's character says, "I don't feel safe so I can't take this bus here," referring to last week's shooting spree, which began with the fatal shot that killed Cpl. Nathan Cirillo of Hamilton.

"I want to take him to another bus. I don't feel safe."

One man immediately pushes back: "You know, you can't stereotype and judge people by their clothes, or their nationality or anything else, you know what I mean? What happened there, it was an incident of fanatics."

A woman pipes up, too: "It was awful and tragic, but I don't think that's any reason to persecute someone just because of what they're wearing."

But Giamou keeps making his case, eventually trying to physically remove his fellow actor. At that point, someone



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Devin Giamou, left, got punched in the face by a man at a Hamilton bus stop when he posed as a racist and hurled insults at a fellow actor in Muslim dress, right, for a YouTube video. YOUTUBE SCREENGRAB

jumps to the Muslim man's defence and slugs Giamou in the face.

After a brief clip that shows him talking to a police

officer, Giamou, who has a bloody face, offers this conclusion:

"So the social experiment had a negative ending to it,

but it's positive because he stood up for him and I appreciate that, that's good, that's good."

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YouTube video

When three young men in Hamilton created a video to test the level of racism following the Ottawa shooting rampage, they were pleased with the results.

- After Devin Giamou, posing as a commuter at a bus stop, said he didn't want to get on a bus with a man in Muslim dress (a fellow actor), a bystander chided Giamou for judging people by their clothes or their nationality.

- When Giamou persisted with his taunts and tried to physically remove the man in Muslim dress, another man at the bus stop punched Giamou in the face.

Ottawa

Scout volunteer gets 5-year term

A former Scouts Canada volunteer in Ottawa who pleaded guilty to sexually assaulting four boys has been sentenced to five years in prison.

Scott Stanley, 31, admitted to luring, then molesting and physically abusing the teens starting in the summer of 2012.

He was kicked out of the Scouts a few months before his arrest in July 2013 after being warned about inappropriate conduct. THE CANADIAN PRESS

NDP's 2nd attempt

New bill targets the environment

The NDP is again trying to pass a bill that would enshrine environmental rights in law.

NDP Leader Thomas Mulcair says the private member's bill introduced by Edmonton MP Linda Duncan would safeguard the right to have a clean environment. But Duncan acknowledges the government won't support this legislation, which means it's unlikely to pass.

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Protester versus pipeline

An RCMP officer talks to a protester who identified himself as George Khossi as he lies under a vehicle being used by surveyors working on the proposed \$5-billion Trans Mountain Pipeline expansion project in Burnaby, B.C., on Wednesday. The proposed expansion would nearly triple the capacity of the pipeline that carries crude oil from near Edmonton to the Vancouver area to be loaded on tankers.

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Don't brand shooter a 'terrorist,' Mulcair says

The shooter in last week's deadly attack in Ottawa was a criminal, but not a terrorist — according to NDP Leader Tom Mulcair.

"I don't think we have enough evidence to use that word," Mulcair said at the end of an emotional party caucus meeting Wednesday, one week after Michael Zehaf Bibeau opened fire on a soldier and then on security guards just outside the government and Opposition caucus meeting rooms.

"When you look at the history of the individual involved, you see a criminal act, of course," he added.

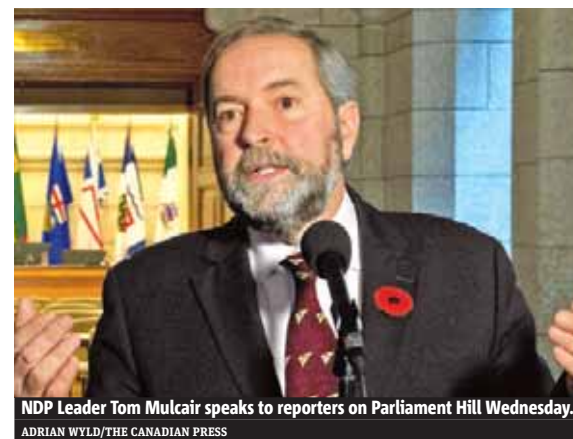
"But ... I think that we're not in the presence of a terrorist act in the sense that we would understand it."

Mulcair's comments were met with immediate condemnation from Conservatives and the leader of the Liberal party.

"The RCMP was clear, these were acts of terrorism, (so) these were acts of terrorism," said Justin Trudeau.

"It's ridiculous," added Conservative MP Peter Kent.

"It was clearly an act of terror (based on) his background



NDP Leader Tom Mulcair speaks to reporters on Parliament Hill Wednesday. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

and motivation. RCMP Commissioner Bob Paulson's remarks about his motivation I think are very clear."

The remark re-emphasized a stark ideological divide in the House of Commons about how to react to the deaths of two Canadian soldiers last week.

Mulcair said it's obvious that Zehaf Bibeau had mental issues, and that his actions in killing a soldier at the National War Memorial and firing on security on Parliament

Hill were reprehensible.

But Mulcair said the latest information about the lone shooter indicates he should be defined merely as a criminal.

He later seemingly clarified his comments in the House of Commons, referring to the differences between a criminal act carried out by someone with a history of mental issues and an act of terror carried out by an "organized" individual or group.

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At least 150 missing, feared dead after Sri Lankan mudslide

Monsoon season.

At least six people have been confirmed dead, with 120 tea plantation workers' homes wiped out

A mudslide triggered by monsoon rains buried scores of workers' houses at a tea plantation in central Sri Lanka on Wednesday, raising fears that hundreds have been killed.

In the chaos that followed, there was confusion about the number of dead and missing because government officials reported different figures and later reduced the number of missing by 100 without explanation.

The mudslide struck at about 7:30 a.m. and wiped out 120 workers' homes at the Koslanda tea plantation, said

Lal Sarath Kumara, an official from the Disaster Management Center. The plantation is in the town of Koslanda in Badulla district, 220 kilometres east of Colombo.

He said at least 10 people were killed and more than 250 reported missing.

Later, Disaster Management Minister Mahinda Amaraweera was quoted by media as saying that more than 100 people had been killed. Moments later he told The Associated Press that less than 100 people were missing but they could not be counted as dead.

By late Wednesday the Disaster Management Center's official numbers were six dead and 150 missing. Pradeep Kodippilly, a senior official at the centre, did not explain the changes but said the agency would be able to give the media a clearer picture by Thursday morning.

The scene of the mudslide



Sri Lankan men stand at the site of a mudslide at the Koslanda tea plantation in the Badulla district, about 220 kilometres east of Colombo, on Wednesday. The mudslide triggered by monsoon rains buried a number of workers' houses, killing at least six people and leaving at least 150 missing, an official said. ERANGA JAYAWARDENA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

and witness accounts however suggested the disaster was enormous.

P. Arumugam, who works as a driver on the plantation, said he rushed there when he heard about the mudslide.

"Everything that I saw yesterday I could not see today — buildings, the temple and shops had all disappeared. I could only see mud," he said.

Marimuttu Navaneethan, a 28-year-old shopkeeper, said he

heard a big noise and saw mud rolling down toward his home.

He and his family ran from the house, adding that 65 nearby houses were covered.

"A midwife was living in one house with six family

members, and now all are missing except her husband. Their house was pushed down 200 metres and stopped near our home," he said.

State broadcaster Rupavahini showed huge mounds of earth covering the houses and muddy water still gushing from the hilltops.

Scores of children who had left for school early morning returned only to see their homes vanished without a trace along with their parents.

About 500 military personnel and civilians searched for survivors with the help of heavy earthmoving equipment. The search was later called off for the night because of rain and muddy conditions, military spokesman Brigadier Jayanath Jayawerera said.

The monsoon season in the Indian Ocean island nation runs from October through December.

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Kilauea. Rainfall tempers smoke, does little to stop volcano's lava flow

Rain fell Wednesday on a red-hot river of lava creeping closer to homes and a main road in a rural Big Island town.

The precipitation wasn't enough to stem the flow, but it helped tamp down smoke pouring from the crackling molten stream consuming everything in its path, officials said.

The lava was about 255 metres from Pahoa Village Road, which leads through the community of Pahoa's downtown, Hawaii County Civil Defence officials said Wednesday. It had advanced about 82 metres since the previous day.

Pahoa is the commercial centre of the island's sprawling, mostly agricultural Puna

district, south of Hilo.

The flow from Kilauea volcano entered private property there Tuesday and destroyed an empty shed. It also burned tires and other materials, prompting authorities to warn downwind residents with respiratory problems to stay indoors.

The lava flow emerged from a vent in June and until recently had been slowly weaving through uninhabited forest and pastureland.

Officials say dozens of homes, businesses and other structures are now in its projected path. Most residents there either already have left or are prepared to go.

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A football-field-length flow of lava pushes through a fence marking a property boundary above the town of Pahoa on the Big Island of Hawaii on Tuesday. U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Indiana murders

Ex-marine faces 45 to 65 years

A judge recorded not guilty pleas Wednesday for a former marine who is charged with murder in the strangulation deaths of two Indiana women.

Darren Vann is charged with murder in the deaths of Afrikka Hardy and Anith Jones and faces 45 to 65 years in prison, or possibly the death penalty. He will next appear in court on Jan. 9.

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Hawaii

Japanese deputy mayor found dead

A Japanese deputy mayor visiting Hawaii to establish a sister-cities relationship with Honolulu was found dead in the water just off Waikiki Beach.

Takehiko Kimura was found unresponsive in the water at about 8 a.m. and was pronounced dead at a local hospital. Honolulu City Council Chairman Ernie Martin says Kimura had been encouraging Honolulu to enter a sister-city relationship for a year.

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An extra \$46 per Canadian could help cut homelessness

Annual report.

Lead author argues with a budget surplus, some of that money should go to fight homelessness in Canada

Spending an extra \$46 per Canadian a year on affordable housing could dramatically reduce homelessness, a new research report concludes.

Existing intervention programs can only go so far if those who find a way off the streets or out of shelters can't afford their own place to live, say researchers from York University and the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness.

Their annual State of

Funding shortfall

The main reason behind what seems to be an intractable problem is a 46 per cent decrease in federal investment in affordable housing over the last 25 years, the report suggested.

- Affordable housing is defined as shelter that doesn't cost more than 30 per cent of a low-income person's budget.
- In 1989, \$115 per capita was spent each year on adding to affordable housing stocks. Today, it's closer to \$60 a year, the report found.

Homelessness in Canada study was published today.

With a budget surplus on the horizon, it's time to return to the days when federal cash was directly spent on building those places, said Stephen Gaetz, the director of the Canadian Observatory on Homelessness at York and one of the lead authors of the study.

"It's time to have a conversation — what are we going to do with that surplus?" he said.

"This is one that isn't going to break the bank. It's going to help not only end chronic homelessness but it's going to help many, many thousands of Canadians who are at risk of homelessness."

An estimated 235,000 Canadians a year experience homelessness at a cost to the economy of \$7 billion. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



A fork in the road: Fiat Chrysler spins off Ferrari

A technician works on an engine at the Ferrari plant in Maranello, Italy, in 2013. Fiat Chrysler Automobiles plans to spin off sports car maker Ferrari into a separate company, a way to unlock value in the luxury brand and distinguish it from its mass-market automaker parent. The company said Wednesday that spinning off Ferrari was part of a plan to raise capital to support the newly merged carmakers' expansion plans. Fiat Chrysler's five-year plan calls for increasing net income by five times by 2018. Fiat Chrysler CEO Sergio Marchionne said in a statement that it was "proper that we pursue separate paths for FCA and Ferrari" following the completion of the merger of Chrysler and Fiat with a listing on the New York Stock Exchange earlier this month. **MARCO VASINI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE**

Atlantic City casino

Cocktail servers settle lawsuit over skimpy outfits

Forty women employed at an Atlantic City casino have resolved their discrimination lawsuit over skimpy uniforms.

The lawsuit was filed in 2011 after Resorts Casino Hotel adopted a roaring '20s theme after the popularity of the HBO series Boardwalk Empire, which was based on Prohibition-era Atlantic City's reputation as the vice capital of the East Coast.

The uniforms were short, skin-revealing black dresses with deep open backs. Waitresses also wore fishnet stockings and ornate Jazz Age hats.

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Lac-Mégantic. New rail safety rules unveiled

The Conservative government has unveiled a new set of rules aimed at improving rail safety in Canada.

They include tougher hand brake requirements, more Transport Canada staff to do audits, more research on crude oil properties and a requirement

that rail companies submit training plans for review.

The new rules come after the Transportation Safety Board gave a failing grade this week to the country's two largest railways and the railroad involved in the deadly Lac-Mégantic disaster. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Ladies and gentleman, start your Twitters! It's Halloween season, which means it's time to be morally outraged by dumb people dressing up offensively.

I've been flexing my thumbs in preparation. Every year people dress up as their favourite atrocities, racial stereotypes and "sexy" whatever, showing that the really scary thing about Halloween is the deep, dark depths of human obliviousness. A great Halloween costume is a thing of beauty, but many people make it clear we should have left the holiday to the kids. As a public service to mouthbreathers, here's a quick list of things you shouldn't do if you want to avoid becoming a social-media sensation.

1. DO NOT bring sexy back: Every year we're inundated with "sexy" costumes, where "sexy" is roughly equivalent to "cleavage" and/or "inappropriately cold for late October." There's nothing wrong with that, but it's a bit lazy and played out. At



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least stick with things where "sexy" makes sense (cats, cops, humour columnists).

Too many costumes are just random nouns with "sexy" in front of it, like the "sexy hockey fan" costume (making the rounds on Twitter, natch), which is just a tight costume, a purse and the words "Puck U" on the front. Erotic! Please, let's save the bunnies for Easter. And, of course, don't sexualize your kids' costumes. There's a "girl's" firefighter costume in the news this year that replaced the helmet and uniform with a fascinator and a skirt. Put gender roles aside for a second: We are raising a generation of terrible firefighters. You may roll your eyes at political correctness now, but wait until they show up at your burning

house 20 years from now with a handbag instead of a hose.
2. DO NOT dress as bad news. I can pretty much guarantee one Twitter outrage this year: Someone, somewhere, is going to dress as Oscar Pistorius. I'm certain mostly because it perfectly hits the Venn diagram of being a sensitive issue on four fronts:

race, gender, gun use, and disability. What a perfect convergence for some guy to smash through in one swift movement because he thought of a "hilarious" idea while posting to #GamerGate. I hate him preemptively.

If you feel the need to dress as bad news, you have two options: fictional bad news (HAL 9000!) or bad news so old that nobody alive has any relatives who died in it. Pompeii it up.

3. DO NOT dress as any culture or race but your own: It's become an annual tradition to wait in anticipation for an NHL player to reveal himself in blackface, followed by the ceremonial cry of "What's the deal?", followed by the communal sharing of the explanatory Wikipedia links. Soothing and reassuring, really.

Here's a helpful hint: If you're thinking, "Hmmm... something in the way of cultural appropriation this year," why not try your own culture? As a white, middle-class, middle-age male, I'm considering "Guy Who Likes Pumpkin Spice Lattes" or "Guy Who Doesn't Own a Television."

For a woman it's almost the same. Just add a fascinator. Retweet if you agree!

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If you missed National Cat Day ...



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National Cat Day is a seemingly weekly event that provides Twitter users with a novel opportunity to share pictures of their felines online. Kevin Richardson is a man who knows his way around a cat, particularly the lions of South Africa. And while National Cat Day has passed, it seems as good an excuse as any to show the amazing GoPro footage captured when he strapped one to the back of a lioness. Warning to the sensitive: Eventually the cat finds some prey, and things don't go well for it at all. (GoPro/YouTube)



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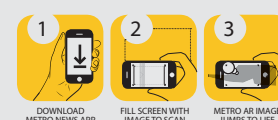
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SCENEClub ditches its dingy digs
for bright lights of downtown**Reflections Cabaret.**

Two-storey building on Salter Street offers more space and a wider range of events



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It was a long time coming, but Reflections Cabaret finally made the move owner Mike Schmid had been waiting three years to make.

A coat of paint here and there did little to spruce up the cabaret's former location — a joint on Sackville Street that had been home to a bar for more than 40 years.

Now, Reflections is stepping out of those dingy shadows and into the light of a new, two-storey palace on Salter Street — just in time for its popular Halloween parties this weekend.

Schmid is eager to push the limits of the new location to see what it can handle. So he has a full weekend of entertainment planned, including a classic Halloween party on Friday night and a zombie evening on Saturday.

"The new space is working out really well," he says.

Quoted

"I have a real love of band music. I've tried to do it in the past. I think I'll take another crack at it."

Mike Schmid, owner of Reflections Cabaret



Reflections Cabaret owner Mike Schmid has big plans for the club's new location, on Salter Street in downtown Halifax. JEFF HARPER/METRO

"People really like it and we've been very busy since we've opened — I'm very pleased."

Formerly home to TAO The Adventure Outfitters, the new space is much larger. Schmid

hopes it will not only keep his late-night dance crowd happy, but also entice the much-desired 40-and-over crowd.

He's also planning to bring in some live bands, something he tried at the old place with little success.

"I have a real love of band music and I've tried to do it in the past. I think I'll take another crack at it," he says. "I don't want to lose the people I have, but the people I have

come late — I think I'll try to do live bands and have them come in and listen to a live band from 10 p.m. to 12 a.m. — which doesn't interfere with my dance crowd."

Schmid is also encouraged by the success of last week, when the club hosted several bands from the Halifax Pop Explosion festival.

He says the club's new stage and better sightlines were a big hit with fans.

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One Direction fan spins a torrid tale

Books. Since posting risqué stories about a Harry Styles-esque character, Anna Todd has sealed a book deal and sold the film rights

When the family of One Direction fan fiction writer Anna Todd found out the 25-year-old Texan had authored a steamy online book series captivating millions of readers, they were shocked.

"I didn't tell my husband until I was halfway through the second book. He thought I had a phone addiction," Todd says, giggling. "I was always on my phone, but he didn't know what I was doing."

The surprise for Todd's army husband came in 2013, months after she used online writing platform Wattpad to incrementally release her first book, *After*, a story about a college girl who falls in love with a character modelled after One Direction's Harry Styles.

Since then, Todd has been catapulted to stardom. She's written two more Wattpad

stories, scored a major book deal with Simon and Schuster, sold the film rights to *After* to Paramount Pictures, and launched a jewelry line.

The success, she says, has made it hard for her to even go shopping without being recognized.

It's a strange experience for someone who never imagined making a career out of writing from the backseats of cabs, the waiting room at her doctor's office or the aisles of grocery stores.

"I had no idea what to expect when I first started writing," she says. "I never expected it to turn into this."

She admits she's caught "a little bit" of flack for the sexual nature and risqué scenes described in her books, which some compare to erotic romance series *Fifty Shades of Grey*.

"My intention wasn't for anyone who wasn't mature enough to read it," she says. "The characters are 18 and 20, so I was reflecting their age range and I wasn't intending for this to be a One Direction fan-based thing."

She's also faced the scorn of avid One Direction followers, who believe Todd has

wrongfully portrayed Styles as a bad boy with a predilection for emotionally abusing women and stirring up trouble.

In an outpouring of social media postings with hashtags like #StopAnnaTodd and #SuspendAnnaTodd, former fans have called on readers to boycott Todd's work.

For the most part, she has ignored the controversy.

"Everyone has an opinion and it seems that the negative voices can be the loudest, but I chose to focus on the positive comments from readers," she says. "They make this whole process worthwhile and so much fun."

She says the instant sup-

port demonstrates the power of the online community and the Toronto-based Wattpad platform she uses, which allows users to read and write their own stories through an online portal or mobile app.

The company says nine billion minutes are spent on their platform every month by users reading 75 million

free stories ranging in length and genre.

According to Wattpad general manager Candice Faktor, the most popular areas are romance, science fiction and mystery, but Todd has led a burgeoning wave of millennials gravitating toward fan fiction and mobile readers.

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Anna Todd recently sold the rights to a story she wrote about a college girl who falls in love with a character modelled after Harry Styles. J.D. WITKOWSKI

Quoted

"My intention wasn't for anyone who wasn't mature enough to read it. The characters are 18 and 20, so I was reflecting their age range. I wasn't intending (it) to be a One Direction fan-based thing."

Anna Todd, fan fiction author, on controversial sex scenes in her online stories

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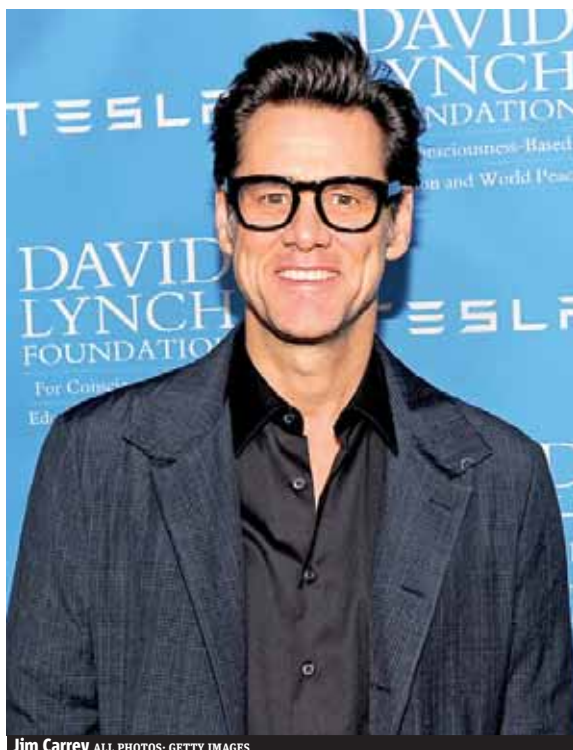
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Jim Carrey ALL PHOTOS: GETTY IMAGES

Carrey isn't the type to marry ... for a third time

Jim Carrey is no longer the marrying kind, apparently. "I just don't see it as necessary at this point," the twice-divorced 52-year-old grandfather tells Howard Stern during an interview. "Is it really sacred? I don't know."

Deep, probing questions, to be sure. But more telling seems to be what years of fame seem to have done to Carrey's outlook on romance in general: "If you hook up with someone who is

famous, you become a sellable commodity and that's the most important thing in those magazines," he says.

"It's not what you're doing in the movie. It's who you are with, what are you doing, are you breaking up?"

And I'm sure that after hearing such a good point about the whole business, Stern immediately abstained from asking any further questions about Carrey's personal life.

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word



Clooney party inconveniences commoners



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It turns out that entertaining George Clooney and Amal Alamuddin can be bad for business. A recent soiree thrown by the newlyweds at the Danesfield House hotel in Buckinghamshire,

England, left other guests feeling a bit overlooked. Clooney's fabulous, swanky affair apparently necessitated renting out half the hotel's rooms.

One guest posted to TripAdvisor, "Booked afternoon tea two months in advance for very special occasion for family, never got to go as was canceled one week beforehand due to exclusive event taking over the hotel. ... Won't book with them again."

Sounds like something out of Downton Abbey, honestly.

Twitter



@GarryShandling

I don't normally believe in curses but the Lakers should get a shaman in there as fast as possible.



@therealroseanne

obama was put in office by banksters who wanted to make sure that the president after him would be Jeb Bush.



@billyeichner

I know you guys want to be sexy AND topical but PLEASE don't dress up as Slutty ISIS this weekend.



Katie Holmes

Don't put Katie in the Cruise corner

Katie Holmes does not want to be defined by her divorce from Tom Cruise, you guys, so stop asking about it. "I don't want that moment in my life to define me, to be who I am. I don't want that to be what I'm known

as," she tells People magazine. In fact, that's just the beginning of Holmes' batch of don'ts. "I don't have any fear now. I don't have a lot of rules for myself and I don't take myself that seriously." But what do you do, Katie? Aside from humour People magazine when they ask about the divorce you've made it clear you don't want to talk about? Although I can see that takes up a lot of your time.

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Wang throws down the new urban uniform for H&M

Style. The designer's take on day-to-night dressing includes a stop at the gym

A quick scan of the crowd gathered for Alexander Wang's H&M debut revealed the fashion set's new unofficial uniform: sleek black everything and sneakers.

It seems that every editor present ditched her stilettos for the multi-part extravaganza — which included a morning press conference downtown, an evening fashion show way uptown, followed by an after-hours pop-up shop and concert — which was totally fitting.

Wang has championed effortless, off-duty dressing since launching his label in 2004. For Spring '15, the designer drew inspiration from "the phenomenon of sneaker culture." Now his much-hyped H&M collaboration takes on active wear.

"A lot of my friends are gym fanatics and go to SoulCycle," explains Wang about the starting point for his capsule.

The designer, who has a sixth sense for how tastemakers want to dress, stresses that these days sporty clothes aren't just relegated to the gym.

"There's a lot of people like me: I'm not an athlete, I don't work out, but I wear gym clothes almost everyday," he says.

Further proving his point that fashion-inspired fitness is a thing, Beyoncé recently announced a new partnership with TopShop to produce an athletic streetwear label.

"People have such active lifestyles that they want to be comfortable. They want to be able to move and take the subway and run around," says Wang.

If there's anyone who understands our fast-paced lives, full of multitasking and meals on the go, it's Wang. In addition to designing his eponymous multi-million dollar brand, the 30-year-old was



Alexander Wang's line for H&M hits stores Nov. 6 CONTRIBUTED

named creative director of Balenciaga in 2012. And somewhere in the mix he managed to create this collection for the Swedish fast-fashion retailer — which, he stressed, isn't a lower-priced version of his greatest hits. These designs are brand new.

"For me I always try to push forward and discover a new conversation that I haven't necessarily done before, while staying very true to the approach of ease, the approach of being unpreten-

tious, the approach of being comfortable," he says.

Sporty clothing fits the requirements. Specifically, says Wang, "the idea of sports at night." Anyone who's attended a Wang after-party knows that the designer prefers to burn his calories on the dance floor.

Cutout scuba dresses, tech-inspired leggings and quick-drying crop tops work just as well at the club as they would at, say, Equinox. The technical construction behind athletic wear was another draw for Wang.

"I'm not trying to reinvent the wheel," says the designer. "I love fashion; it's fun, and I think it should be celebrated."

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Our favourite looks from Alexander Wang x H&M



Hoodie, \$69.95

Quick dry socks, \$18



Leggings, \$59.99

Down jacket, \$349



Sweatshirt, \$59.99

Breathable dry dress, \$99



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HOMES

He wears it well

"This line is so close to my process and how I live that it felt very authentic to my lifestyle."

Alexander Wang

Tip me over and pour me out

It's the time of year when hot drinks (spiked or not) become fashionable for entertaining. Forget the single-brew pours — instead, offer up warming bevies from some of the hottest serving vessels on the market



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Catch red-handed

Coffee and tea service can now travel all around the house when entertaining, thanks to this carafe. Primula Kata Soft Grip 1.5-litre Thermal Carafe, \$37, BedBathAndBeyond.ca.

Steep for joy

Pour hot water, let steep and then release into the cup for hot or cold tea — easy as 1-2-3. The 32-ounce Steeper, \$30, DavidsTea.ca.



Take to flask

Serve your favourite hot beverage at the game or just on the balcony. Kullar Steel Vacuum Flask, \$10, IKEA.com.

Let it drip

Retro drip-coffee style comes right to the dining table in heavy-duty, yet lightweight glass. Hario V60 Range Server, \$30, CrateAndBarrel.com.



Hot off the press

Tall and sleek is the best way to brew coffee at the table. La Cafatiere Lexi Bone China Coffee Press, 900ml, \$120, TheBay.com.



Come into bloom

Marimekko's famous Unikko fabric brings charm to the table in the form of a Unikko Teapot, \$98, EQ3.com.

Security. Guaranteed 'zombie-proof' cabin unveiled just in time for Halloween

A zombie attack could happen at any time — but with Halloween just around the corner, it's best to be prepared.

Luckily, a U.K. building company has launched the ZFC-1 Zombie Fortification Cabin, a zombie-proof shed offering guaranteed protection against "all forms of possible zombie attacks."

Comprising three sections separated by lockable doors for extra security, the cabin features a garage (for the getaway car), built-in food storage units and a residential area including a living room, kitchen, bedroom,

toilet and a gym.

A plasma TV, an Xbox, a fireplace and kitchen units have all been incorporated into the concept.

Additional defence features include decking, which provides a panoramic vantage point for spotting any approaching zombies and extra secure doors and double glazed windows.

The wooden cabin is made from 44 mm-thick timber, with cut logs along the side of the building making it almost impossible for zombies to climb on to the roof. Barbed wire has been added, just in case. Extra features

Medical evidence required

The brainchild of Tiger Log Cabins, the ZFC-1 can be purchased for a starting price of approximately \$113,000 US.

- The cabin comes with a 10-year guarantee — although "medical evidence of the presence of a real zombie" is required.

including solar panels and security cameras can also be added to the structure. AFP



The ZFC-1 Zombie Fortification Cabin. TIGERLOGCABIN.COM

TOP SIX @ 6 Weeknights at 6 Jillian counts down the HOTTEST songs of the day

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- 3 Nick Jonas Jealous
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Proud to Congratulate Nautilus Aquatics & Hobbies on their new 6442 Quinpool Road location!

Nautilus Aquatics and Hobbies has moved

Focus remains on snorkelling, diving, and vintage cars

For more than 30 years, Nautilus Aquatics and Hobbies has been a familiar presence on Quinpool Road. The business will continue to be a familiar presence at its new location, which is also on Quinpool Road.

Nautilus Aquatics and Hobbies is now located is 6442 Quinpool Road — which is between Beech and Kline streets — across from Subway.

All that has changed is the location. The business will continue to provide old-fashioned customer service coupled with what on the surface might seem to be an odd pairing of goods and services. Nautilus Aquatics and Hobbies bills itself as Eastern Canada's oldest diving facility and Halifax's newest hobby centre.

Mike Chambers is the owner of the business. He has long had a passion as a diver and even worked as a commercial diver at one point in time. When he started the business in 1973, the focus was on the nautilus side, specifically scuba diving and snorkelling.

"Diving is a hard game in the winter," says Chambers.

Chambers decided to expand his offerings to smooth out the seasonal fluctuations that would come with operating a nautilus business in Nova Scotia.

A chance encounter with somebody who operated a scuba and hobby centre in South Dakota gave Chambers the idea he needed. As a lover of vintage vehicles — he has a 1955 and 1957 Chevy — he decided to combine his interests and add a hobby element to the business.

"Why not put the two together?" says Chambers.

Today, the business offers a wide range of aquatics goods and services, including scuba and snorkelling equipment, swimwear, as well



Mike Chambers, left, and the staff at Nautilus Aquatics and Hobbies provide good old-fashioned customer service. CONTRIBUTED

as rentals and service to existing products.

Nautilus Aquatics and Hobbies also teaches scuba courses which run from January to November. The weekly classes require some basic equipment, such as a mask, snorkel, fins, and boots. Chambers says Nova Scotia provides an excellent environment for diving, even in the winter.

"The water is clearer in the winter," he says.

For visual proof, head to the business's Facebook page where many photos are posted capturing underwater Maritime life.

Because Nova Scotia's ocean bottom is lined with so many shipwrecks — especially given the many German U-boats which torpedoed ships during the Second World War — it creates a fascinating backdrop to discover, in addition to the existing marine life.

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Bloody good side adds subtle spooky touch

Cookbook of the Week

The yum factor in bitter bites



In some places (think Italy and parts of Asia), bitter flavours are appreciated. In North America, sweet and savoury nab the culinary spotlight. Jennifer McLagan is out to change that with her book *Bitter*.

Through science, culture, history and 100 recipes, McLagan explores bitter bites in all of their aspects and makes a case for the misunderstood flavour.

Recipes include Arugula Pizza, Cardoon Beef Tagine, Methi and Spinach with Baked Eggs, Rapini with Penne, Grapefruit Tart and more. **METRO**

White Asparagus with Blood Orange Sauce.

A Halloween-worthy dinner accompaniment

"If you can't find blood oranges you can use a regular orange, but the flavour won't be quite the same," writes Jennifer McLagan in her book *Bitter*.

"This sauce is an orange butter sauce made exactly the same way you would make a white butter sauce (beurre blanc), but using orange juice instead of wine. The cream is added to make the sauce more stable.

"Two important things to remember when making this sauce: use a heavy pan that transfers the heat slowly and evenly, and watch carefully as you whisk in the butter. If your sauce overheats, you can let it cool down slightly, add a splash of water, and whisk it back together."

1. Cook the asparagus (place in a pan of boiling water so they are in a single layer. Lower the heat and simmer for 15-25 minutes. You want them cooked, not crunchy).

2. While the asparagus is cooking, finely grate the zest from the orange and then squeeze the juice. Place both the zest

and the juice in a small saucepan and bring to a boil over medium high heat. Reduce the heat and boil gently until the mixture is reduced to about 2 tablespoons. Stir in the cream and season with salt and pepper.

3. Drain the cooked asparagus and keep warm in a low oven.

4. Cut the butter into 6 pieces. Place the pan with the juice and cream mixture over very low heat and slowly whisk in the butter, thoroughly incorporating each piece before adding another. While you're whisking, keep the sauce warm, but not hot, so that the mixture emulsifies and the butter doesn't melt into the sauce. When all the butter is incorporated, taste, adjust the seasoning, and serve over the cooked asparagus.

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Ingredients

- 12 large fat white asparagus
- 1 blood orange
- 1 tbsp whipping (35 percent fat) cream
- Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1/2 cup (4 ounces / 115 g) cold unsalted butter



TOTAL TIME
ABOUT 25 MINUTES

This recipe serves four. AYA BRACKETT



This recipe serves four as a side dish. AYA BRACKETT

Side. Grilled Radicchio with Creamy Cheese

1. Cut the radicchio heads into quarters and drizzle with olive oil, turning to lightly coat the pieces. Season with salt and pepper.

2. Heat a gas grill to medium, or set a heavy cast-iron pan over medium heat. When it is hot, add the radicchio and cook, turning often, until it is soft, brown in color, and lightly charred, about 12 minutes. Cut the cheese into pieces.

3. Transfer the radicchio to a serving dish. Top with pieces

of the cheese and sprinkle with the balsamic vinegar. The heat of the radicchio will melt the cheese.

Ingredients

- 2 heads Treviso radicchio, about (7 oz / 200 g each)
- Olive oil
- Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 2 1/2 oz (75 g) creamy cow's milk cheese
- 2 tsp balsamic vinegar

For your phone

Crumb: Ruby Tandoh Bakes (iPad/iPhone; \$3.99)

With an aim to explore new sweet and savoury tastes in baking, this cookbook and



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troubleshooting guide includes 45 step-by-step recipes offering muffins, daily loaves, chicory pies and baklava.



NBL Canada

Rainmen sign guard Tubbs

The Halifax Rainmen continue to construct their roster for the 2014-15 season.

The National Basketball League of Canada club announced Wednesday it has signed six-foot-three guard Justin Tubbs of Trussville, Ala.

Tubbs played in the NBL Canada last season, but for the Ottawa SkyHawks, averaging 17 points and five rebounds per game. He then moved overseas to play in France. He has also played professionally in Israel and Germany.

"Justin is an absolute animal on the court with unlimited potential," Rainmen head coach Joseph (Pep) Claros said in a news release. "He gives us another explosive guy who attacks and finishes with a dunk."

Tubbs is expected to arrive Sunday night, in time for Halifax's season opener on the road Nov. 7 against the Moncton Miracles.

The Rainmen's home opener is Nov. 8, when they host the Prince Edward Island Storm at the Scotiabank Centre.

KRISTEN LIPSCOMBE



Justin Tubbs

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Moose lack finish in loss to Islanders

'We need to bury the puck.' Herd let several scoring chances go to waste in home loss



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The Halifax Mooseheads created plenty of scoring chances Wednesday night, but forward Philippe Gadoury was the only player who had the finishing touch.

He scored the lone goal of the game in a 4-1 loss to the Charlottetown Islanders in front of 6,339 fans who left the Scotiabank Centre disappointed to see their hometown QMJHL team fall to a team they have twice beaten earlier this season.

Halifax had 37 shots on net and solid power plays, but the boys in green and red couldn't capitalize, with the exception of Gadoury's goal on the man advantage at 6:41 in the second period.

Nikolaj Ehlers set up fellow import forward Timo Meier, who passed it out front to Gadoury for a one-timer into the net to tie it up. The 20-year-old Halifax goal-scorer was named third star of the night.

"He went behind the net and passed it to me," the Greenfield Park, Que., native said after the game. "I was alone in the slot, so I just had to put it in."

But that was the only puck that would slip past Charlottetown netminder Mason McDonald, who was named first



Mooseheads forward Nikolaj Ehlers, left, skates with the puck ahead of Islanders defenceman David Henley at the Scotiabank Centre on Wednesday night. JEFF HARPER/METRO

On Wednesday

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Islanders

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Mooseheads

The Halifax Mooseheads host the Moncton Wildcats this Saturday at 7 p.m., and then pay the Charlottetown Islanders a visit at 4 p.m. on Sunday.

start of the game for leading the Islanders to the win in his

hometown.

"It breaks a streak of two years that the Islanders haven't won here," the 18-year-old goalie said. "All the guys are excited."

Guillaume Rioux-Legault opened the scoring midway through the first, Chris Chadock scored the game-winner just over a minute after Gadoury's goal, Luc Deschênes added one on a third-period power play and Spenser Cobbold scored and empty-netter.

"We missed a lot of chances, that's for sure," Gadoury said. "We need to bury the puck in the net."

Ehlers skated hard into the offensive zone several times, stick handling around Charlottetown's D-men. But he became a target for frustrated Islanders, including defenceman David Henley, who bumped him hard in open ice late in the second.

Meier answered by throwing a few punches, landing him four penalties.

"Every team knows he is a really skilled guy, and he has a lot of speed, so they're trying to hit him," Meier said.

"I'm a big guy," the six-foot, 209-pound Swiss player said. "You've got to protect yourselves and your teammates."

Little rest for the wicked: Bumgarner, Giants win title

Madison Bumgarner pitched five innings of near-perfect relief and the San Francisco Giants held off the Kansas City Royals 3-2 Wednesday night in Game 7 of the World Series for their third championship in five seasons.

With both starters chased early, this became a matchup of bullpens. And no one stood taller than the six-foot-five Bumgarner, who added to his post-season legacy with a third victory this Series.

Game 7

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Giants

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Royals

After Gregor Blanco misplayed Alex Gordon's drive for a single and two-base error, Bumgarner got Salvador Perez

to pop foul to third baseman Pablo Sandoval for the final out.

The Giants ended a Series streak that had seen home teams win the last nine Game 7s. San Francisco took this pairing of wild-card teams after earning titles in 2012 and 2010.

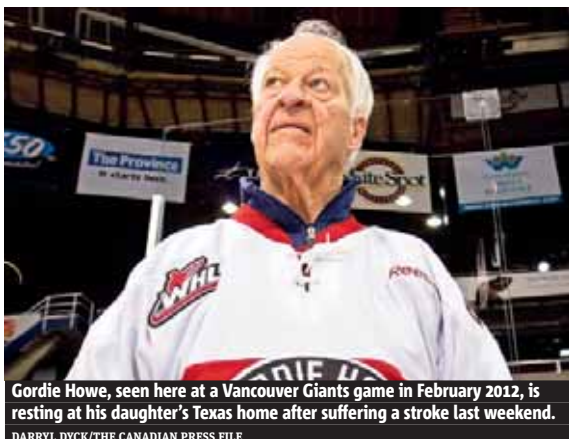
Pitching on two days' rest after his shutout in Game 5, Bumgarner entered in the fifth with a 3-2 lead. After giving up a leadoff single to Omar Infante, he shut down the Royals.

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Giants Buster Posey, left, and Madison Bumgarner celebrate after capturing the team's third World Series title in five seasons on Wednesday night in Kansas City. JAMIE SQUIRE/GETTY IMAGES

4 SPORTS



Gordie Howe, seen here at a Vancouver Giants game in February 2012, is resting at his daughter's Texas home after suffering a stroke last weekend.
DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

Gordie Howe. Family gathers around ailing Mr. Hockey

Gordie Howe has a long way to go to recover from a stroke he suffered over the weekend, his son said Wednesday amid an outpouring of support from the hockey community.

"Mr. Hockey" has shown some signs of improvement from what son Mark called a "pretty significant stroke" and is resting at his daughter Cathy's home in Lubbock, Texas.

"It's a difficult time for Dad," Mark Howe said in a phone interview from Lubbock. "It

definitely impacted his life, so we're dealing with this, I think, as all families do and just trying to be there. The best thing we can do is just be here and be supportive and try to keep him in good spirits."

Sons Mark, Marty and Murray travelled from their respective homes in New Jersey, Connecticut and Ohio on Tuesday to be with their father, who has been in declining health for the past year. Gordie Howe is 86 and also suffers from a form of dementia. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

NHL suspension

Rangers' Moore banned 5 games

New York Rangers defence-man John Moore was given a five-game suspension by the National Hockey League on Wednesday for hitting Minnesota Wild forward Erik

Haula in the head during a game this week.

Moore, a repeat offender after being suspended for two playoff games last spring, will forfeit \$51,859.75 US in salary. The 23-year-old blue-liner was given a match penalty after the incident in Monday night's game.

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All eyes on LeBron

NBA. King James' first game of second coming in Cleveland promises over-the-top spectacle

This will be a season opener unlike any other — one that also brings closure.

Part homecoming, part family reunion, part revival meeting and a huge party rolled into one.

When LeBron James takes the court on Thursday night wearing a No. 23 Cavaliers uniform in a regular-season game for the first time in four years, an entire city will be able to wash away a painful past. Any lingering bitterness will give way to forgiveness and excitement about the future.

"For these fans," James said Wednesday, "it means everything."

That's because he means everything to them.

James and a Cavaliers team transformed over the summer by his return — plus the signing of all-star guard Kyrie Irving to a contract extension and the acquisition of power forward Kevin Love — will



Kevin Love, left, and Dion Waiters watch LeBron James shoot at Quicken Loans Arena on Wednesday in Cleveland. The Cavaliers open their season at home against the New York Knicks on Thursday night. **MARK DUNCAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

open their season on Thursday night against the New York Knicks at Quicken Loans Arena.

This is the night Cleveland has been waiting for.

More than 20,000 fans,

some paying more than \$1,000 per ticket, will welcome James back home to where he began his basketball career. He'll again play before family, friends from Akron and the Cavs fans who feared he would never return after the 29-year-old bolted for Miami in 2010 to chase championships.

There's never been a night like it in this city's tortured sports history, and it promises to be emotional for everyone, including James.

"It means everything to be able to open our NBA campaign here in Cleveland with

King James' princess

LeBron James confirmed Wednesday that he and his wife, Savannah, welcomed a new baby girl last week. Cavaliers officials say the girl's name is Zhuri Nova.

these fans. It's going to be a special moment," James said after practice at the Q. "We can't take it for granted. You don't get moments like this, they don't come around every day."

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Return to sanity after Comic Sans



"Obviously there are a lot of fireworks at that time and a lot of emotions flying all over the place.... It's been four years. As far as it goes right now, it's great."

Cavs owner Dan Gilbert on his relationship with LeBron James. Gilbert famously called James "cowardly" and "disloyal" in a rant written in Comic Sans font on his website after the superstar left for Miami in 2010.



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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Semifinal #1 - Lowest Remaining Seed vs. UNB (1), 11:00am
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Stuck on 12 Across?
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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

♈ Aries

March 21 - April 20

If nothing seems to add up today it's because you are trying to solve a problem that has no answer. It's OK to admit it. You don't have to be in control of each and every situation.

♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

If someone reacts in an emotional way to what you say today then perhaps you should take the hint and steer clear of touchy issues.

♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

You have a number of duties to attend to and, although you might prefer to ignore them, you feel honour bound to do what is expected of you. You'll be rewarded.

♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

If you try to limit someone's freedom today, it could rebound on you. Better to give them the space they require. It's unlikely they will wander too far without your approval.

♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

You may not get the results you expected today but don't worry — in the greater scheme of things you are making substantial progress.

♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

A change of scene will do you a world of good over the next 24 hours and could even lead to a financial opportunity you might otherwise have missed.

♎ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Fix your attention on a certain situation and learn as much as you can. The more you know, the better placed you will be to benefit from coming upheavals.

♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Make a conscious decision to go with the flow and don't think of it as a defeat if you have to change your plans at the last moment.

♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You may feel as if you are getting nowhere fast but on a deeper level you are in fact making considerable progress.

♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You may know what is wrong with a certain situation but you are not in a position to put it right. The planets warn you should leave well alone. The cosmic picture will change over the next few days.

♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Your mind may be bursting with big ideas but what use are they if you don't knit them together into a coherent and workable plan? Bring those big ideas down to a human level.

♓ Pisces

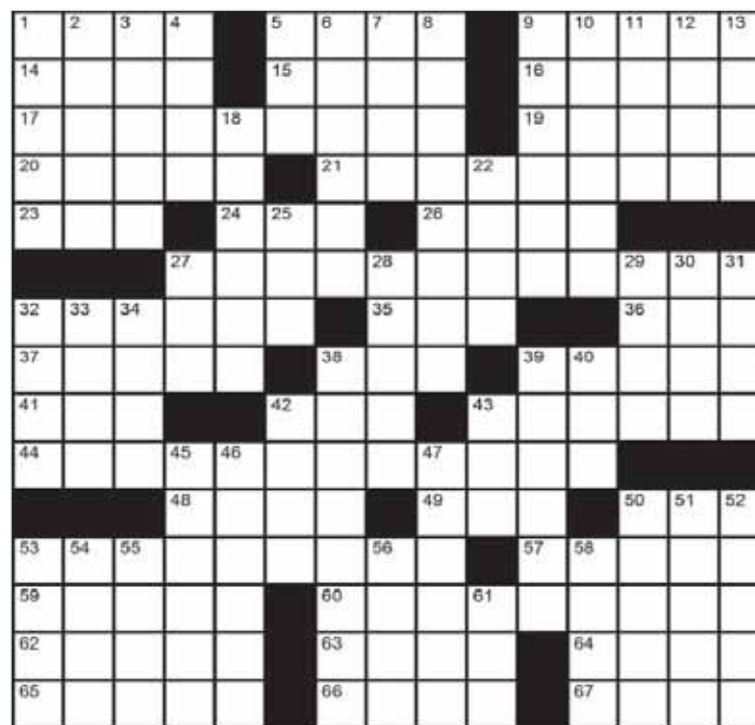
Feb. 20 - March 20

Someone you haven't seen for a while will come back into your life and the effect on your feelings could be dramatic. Don't get carried away. They've changed a lot, and so have you.

Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan

Across

1. Rocky Mountains animal
5. Country singer's 2001 to 2007 sitcom
9. Fred Flintstone exclamation bit
14. Apiece
15. Richard of "A Summer Place" (1959)
16. The Hunter constellation
17. Tactical
19. "___ you!" (Response to an Achool!)
20. "A League of ___ Own" (1992)
21. The art of making sense
23. Cousin of -enne
24. Promise to pay
26. Biblical land
27. Montreal's is Rue Sainte-Catherine; Toronto's is Yonge Street ...what is Edmonton's main thoroughfare?: 2 wds.
32. Mike ___, Mayor of Halifax
35. Speed ___
36. Li'l mailbox item
37. Inclined
38. Up to, briefly
39. Domicile
41. ___ Radio-Canada
42. Jammies
43. Don ___, Mayor of Edmonton
44. Halifax band Joel Plaskett fronted: 2 wds.
48. Commotion
49. Retro albums,



- briefly
50. Scott Weiland gr.
53. In-pain athlete's injection
57. Ice Cube, aka ___ Jackson
59. ___ cake
60. Bicycle support
62. Chicago's airport
63. Zeno of ___ (Ancient Greek phil-

- sopher)
64. Hanna-Barbera specialty [abbr.]
65. Nervous
66. Take a break
67. Richard of reels
- Down**
1. Gary Cooper movie, "Beau ___" (1939)
2. Vows
3. Property measures

4. Language spoken in Bangkok
5. Riddle-me-___
6. Dishware item at breakfast
7. Scott of "Charles in Charge"
8. Rachael ___ (Marlo Cruz on Global TV's "Rookie Blue")
9. Nina of "The Vam-

- pire Diaries"
10. Ms. Dickinson of "Dragons' Den"
11. "Tres ___!"
12. Particular pear
13. Grande-___, village in New Brunswick
18. Emergency Room who-needs-care-first process
22. Wax-coated

- cheese
25. Suffix with 'lact'
27. Marcia and Cindy's sister
28. Actress, Kimberley
29. Modernists
30. Take apart
31. Level
32. Skewer
33. Ingrid Bergman movie, "___ of Triumph" (1948)
34. See: French
38. William Shatner's '80s police series, "___"
39. Dispatch boats
40. Wager
42. Really smart letters
43. Little devil
45. Verbalizes
46. Evening party
47. Volleyballer-turned-author Gabrielle's
50. Western film of 1953 starring Alan Ladd
51. Hold: French
52. ___ Amidala, Natalie Portman's 'Star Wars' movies role
53. Curdle
54. South Dakota dam
55. Macklemore & ___ Lewis
56. River famous since ancient times
58. Groom-to-be's party
61. Chocolate treat, with Kit

Yesterday's Crossword



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Yesterday's Sudoku

6	1	5	3	2	7	4	9	8
4	9	3	8	5	1	6	7	2
7	8	2	4	6	9	3	1	5
1	6	8	2	9	3	7	5	4
5	7	4	6	1	8	2	3	9
2	3	9	5	7	4	8	6	1
3	2	6	9	8	5	1	4	7
8	5	7	1	4	6	9	2	3
9	4	1	7	3	2	5	8	6

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By Dave Green

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